

## Provisional Vital Statistics for July 2005

**Live births** decreased in July as 6,063 Missouri babies were born compared with 6,942 one year earlier. Cumulative births for the 7– month period ending with July decreased slightly, while births increased slightly for the 12 months ending with July.

**Deaths** decreased for all three time periods shown below. For January - July deaths decreased 3.2 percent from 34,409 to 33,320.

The **Natural increase** in July was 2,102 (6,063 births minus 3,961 deaths). For the cumulative 7– and 12– month periods ending with July, the

natural increase went up slightly.

**Marriages** increased for all three time periods shown below. For the 12 months ending with July, marriages increased from 39,011 to 42,434.

**Dissolutions of marriage** decreased slightly for all three time periods shown below. For the 12 months ending with July, the marriage to divorce ratio increased from 1.77 to 2.00.

**Infant deaths** increased for all three time periods shown below. For January - July the infant death rate increased from 7.3 to 8.0 per 1,000 live births.

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Item	<u>July</u>				<u>Jan-Jul cumulative</u>				<u>12 months ending with July</u>				
	<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		<u>Number</u>		<u>Rate*</u>		
	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
<b>Live Births</b> .....	6,942	6,063	15.2	12.3	45,699	45,133	13.7	13.3	77,461	77,676	13.5	13.5	13.4
<b>Deaths</b> .....	4,715	3,961	10.3	8.0	34,409	33,320	10.3	9.8	54,715	54,176	9.7	9.5	9.4
<b>Natural increase</b> ....	2,227	2,102	4.9	4.3	11,290	11,813	3.4	3.5	22,746	23,500	3.8	4.0	4.1
<b>Marriages</b> .....	3,095	3,850	6.8	7.8	21,682	27,654	6.5	8.2	39,011	42,434	7.3	6.8	7.3
<b>Dissolutions</b> .....	1,994	1,871	4.4	3.8	12,820	12,659	3.9	3.7	21,985	21,758	3.9	3.8	3.8
<b>Infant deaths</b> .....	50	47	7.2	7.8	332	363	7.3	8.0	563	617	8.4	7.3	7.9
<b>Population base</b> ..... (in thousands)	...	...	5,755	5,761	...	...	5,755	5,791	...	...	5,702	5,740	5,776

\* Rates for live births, deaths, natural increase, marriages and dissolutions are computed on the number per 1000 estimated population. The infant death rate is based on the number of infant deaths per 1000 live births. Rates are adjusted to account for varying lengths of monthly reporting periods.

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